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Application of: Chares K. Heizer	Group No.: 3748
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For: Gapless Screw Rotor Device	Examiner: Trieu, Theresa

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

HONORABLE SIR:

Responsive to the official communication of September 27, 2004, Applicant submits the following Election. It is not believed that any extension of time is required in response to the official communication. However, in the event that an extension of time is necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account 08-3460.

ELECTION

The Examiner concludes that multiple independent and distinct inventions are claimed by the above identified application and requires applicant to elect a single disclosed species under 35 USC §121. Applicant hereby elects the species designated by the Examiner as Group II/Figs.

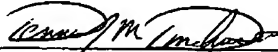
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8A-8D, 9, 10A-10D and 11A-11H. As required by the Examiner, applicant submits that the following claims are readable on the elected species: 1-22, 24-29, 31-47, 49-51, 53-70, 72, 87, 99 and 104. Applicant withdraws the claims directed to the non-elected species until such time as a genus claim is allowed. Applicant submits that Claim No. 11 is a genus claim which links multiple species identified by the Examiner. In particular, Claim Nos. 23, 25 and 30 are all dependent on Claim No. 11 and are respectively directed to the species of Figure Nos. 13, 12 and 18. Similarly, Claim Nos. 76, 77, 85, 86, 88, 89 and 90 are all dependent on Claim No. 61 and are directed to the species of Figure Nos. 18-22.

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action. Applicant reminds the Examiner that an interview prior to the first substantive office action has been requested for the present invention. Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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